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PERSONAL.
L. H. Kellogg, of Toledo, O., is in the city.

Porter Douglas leaves for St. Louis today.

Sal Black returned to Kansas City last night.

S. Isaacs, of St. Louis, is at Hotel Gaudin.

H. H. Jacobson, of Buffalo, N. Y., is in the city.

John Campbell was up from Caldwell yesterday.

John Neville was yesterday down from Kansas City.

Mayor J. W. Dobson was yesterday up from Kiowa.

Alva C. Springs was yesterday up from Arkansas City.

A. J. Phillips, of St. Louis, was among yesterday's arrivals.

G. L. Reynolds, of Johnston, Pa., is looking over the city.

S. G. Lemon has returned to the city from Washington, Indiana.

E. M. Butler and Lester Leggett were yesterday in from Florence.

J. C. Pollock and F. M. Mansfield were yesterday up from Windfield.

Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Lincoln, of Trinidad, Col., were among yesterday's arrivals.

B. C. Sowle, grain and coal dealer of Andale, was yesterday in from Andale.

A. T. Gross, Kansas City; W. T. Gaines, St. Joseph; J. C. Harris, New York; and Otto Cohn, St. Louis, are at Hotel Carey.

Mr. McDoland, of Louisville, Ky., architect of Topeka, state capital, is in the city looking up the site for the new court house.

Messrs. W. C. Newcomb and A. T. Bush returned yesterday evening from their stock ranch in Elk county and report stock standing the winter splendidly.

Miss Nellie Lantry, who has been visiting Miss Agnes Lantry of North York, arrived here yesterday morning after making several visits.

Jimmy, the younger son of N. A. English, is now recovering from his recent severe illness.

The Rev. J. T. Hargrave spent yesterday with Dean Adams. Father Hargrave is the successful rector of the church at Winfield.

Judge Riddell and J. E. Humphrey, of the Agency, of Nickerson, were in the city yesterday and did the Eagle the honor to call.

A full attendance is requested at the M. E. Sunday school today, Rev. G. W. Wilson will address the school at the close of the lessons.

And now it is rumored that a well known physician is soon to take unto himself a wife from among the fair ladies of Wichita society.

The photographers of the city were happy yesterday as the first time in some days, gave sufficient light for them to guarantee good jobs.

W. S. Sheppard, a young New Yorker, who has been staying for some time in this city, will accompany Mr. A. A. Parker, this evening to El Paso, Texas.

A leak at the gas works last night caused some trouble. The gas for a time escaped rather rapidly but was stopped before losing the entire stock on hand.

The sun was given a chance to warm the elements yesterday, and to some extent succeeded. Again the weather prophets were heard telling about the busted winter.

Mr. Wolf, who represents the largest saddle and harness factory in Quincy, Ill., and who is springing out the promising cities of the west, called yesterday in company with Mr. Shered and Mr. Kussell.

Messrs. C. E. Martin and J. H. McCall leave for Junction City tomorrow morning the former represents the Wichita Chapter of the latter the Wichita lodge in the Grand Alliance bodies which will meet this week.

Yesterday afternoon a farmer's wagon was standing in front of W. J. Wilson's, on North Main, when a heavy express wagon passing struck the wheel, upsetting the vehicle and creating quite a commotion.

Mr. R. R. Cable, president of the Chicago & Rock Island, made an appointment to meet some Wichita gentlemen in this city yesterday, but failed to arrive. It was understood, however, that he reached the state yesterday.

Dr. Hobbs, at the Central Christian church, this morning, will preach on "Justification," and in the evening from the same pulpit, on "Sanctification." These two subjects seem logically linked, and no doubt the doctor will be interesting.

The Missouri Pacific road will run a special G. A. R. train from Kanopolis and Hutchinson via Wichita to Winfield on Monday, the 20th, leaving Wichita at 1 p. m., arrive at Winfield at 4 o'clock. Tickets will be sold at half fare for the round trip.

Mr. H. G. Ruggles received a telegram from Anthony yesterday morning announcing the illness of Judge Ruggles. Mrs. Ruggles left on the afternoon train for that place. Judge Ruggles has been in Anthony for the last six weeks, attending the contest between Harper City and Anthony.

Mr. W. G. Shambaugh, who is widely known as a real estate man, left for Chicago yesterday over the Rock Island. He expects to be in attendance at a meeting of an old time friend and will spend some weeks among Chicago acquaintances. It will be remembered that Will once in returning from Chicago brought with him a basketful of chestnut bells and the boys pray that he will never again think of a similar scheme.

Dr. Minnick of Carmi, Ill., a brother of our fellow-townsmen, Dr. W. A. Minnick, called yesterday. Dr. M. says he first came to Wichita three years ago when he went on to Los Angeles, where he lived a year, and that there is where he made his mistake.

As a disinterested observer he says that Wichita will be a great powerful city, full of life and prosperity, when the town of southern California will be shriveled up with dry rot and its sandy plains and barren mountains.

THEY STILL COME.

A REPRESENTATIVE OF A GREAT RAILROAD VISITS WICHITA.

He Gives His Opinion of the Present and Future of Wichita, and Intimates That His Road is Surely Coming.

A reporter of the EAGLE got a pointer yesterday that a representative of a great eastern railroad was in the city in the interest of his road. Thinking to get a new acquaintance, he was hunted up and asked if he did not wish to say something through the columns of the EAGLE. After a little hesitation he said, "No; not now. I know the EAGLE is interested in railroad buildings and that my company would have your assistance, but to give our plans to the public now would interfere with our plans in other sections. I do not think it would make any difference to my company if the people of Wichita knew all our plans, because this city is our objective point and your people will be as anxious to have us build to Wichita as we will be to come. There are some other points, however, that might not look at it in the same way. As a matter of course, the railroad committee of your board of trade know we intend building to Wichita next summer, but our interest would not be subserved by making our plans public at this time. I make the request of you not to mention our road in your paper."

Under a promise not to name your company, would you object to giving your plans regarding this city? "No; not in the least. We intend to build into this city next summer, and just as soon as it is possible we will build two roads out from this city. These two branches we think will be very important roads for Wichita. Your present railroad interests seem to be slow to recognize the fact that Wichita is to be the great commercial center of this great southwest. They are beginning to see that point now, and in my opinion you will see some of these roads in a very short time begin to build cut-offs from this city to their other branch roads. Our road will have an advantage in this respect in not coming here before this matter of a commercial center is settled. We will build from our eastern connection directly to Wichita, and then we will build directly from this city to two other important points."

In what respect do you think your road will help Wichita? "I will tell you how we will help Wichita. We will from the very outset recognize it as a distributing point. That is what your present roads are doing, only indirectly. Now, take the item of lumber, for instance. Do you know your present roads allow a lumber pool to exist here?"

The reporter said he did not.

"Well, that is a fact, nevertheless, and that very thing is perfectly inconsistent. Don't you know that the very fact that these roads put this lumber business into a few hands shows that these roads are not willing to openly recognize this as a distributing point. It would be all right to give lumbermen special rates out of here, but it is perfectly ridiculous to put this interest so important to a great city like this in a few hands. One thing is certain, Wichita will never be a distributing point for lumber while that thing is kept up."

In what other respect do you think your road will benefit Wichita?

"We will help this city by furnishing cheap fuel. Wichita is already quite a manufacturing center, and all she needs now is cheap fuel. This fuel business in the past has been managed somewhat like the lumber business. That system was all right when Wichita was a small town, but she has outgrown those kind of clothes. Very few people have any idea how much coal is used in Wichita now, and this consumption is rapidly increasing. When a man comes to Wichita to start some sort of a manufacturing enterprise, the first thing he runs against is a coal pool. Now I do not think that is to the interest of the roads. It is pretty generally conceded that there is no coal in the immediate vicinity of Wichita, and just for that reason the roads should ship coal at reasonable rates to everybody and encourage these interests in manufacturing to build up."

Do you think your road will be able to give us cheaper coal?

"Yes, I am satisfied in one year from the first of May at the outside, we can furnish this city a good quality of coal for two and half dollars per ton and I think for even less money than that. This can be done and made more and more of the best paying roads in the west."

Why would it not be to your interest to let pieces of coal remain as they now are and make that much more on freight? "Well now, I will tell you about that. This fuel business is a very important item in the earnings of all railroads and where a great center of manufacturing enterprise can be built up some distance from coal fields, the immense transportation of this fuel, even at low rates is an important item for the roads. Now, suppose there was a good coal field a hundred miles north of Wichita, and a like supply the same distance east, west and south, it would be more to the interest of these railroad companies to have a great manufacturing center here than at any one of those coal mines. You see this city is already the center of a great agricultural district."

Could not a combination of railroads just as well build up manufacturing interests at any other point?

"No; not at any point. Railroads can help build up these manufacturing centers but they can not do it arbitrarily. The proper place for, and the place where great manufacturing centers will grow up, are at commercial centers. Commercial centers are centers of population, and railroads do not make centers of population."

I hardly understand what you mean.

"Well now suppose we are speaking of the state of Kansas, and suppose it all to be improved and a farmer on each quarter section and a good county seat in every county and numerous villages all over the state. Now, the natural commercial and manufacturing center of the state would be at the geographical center, and any attempt to move this away off at one side would be arbitrary. The railroads could neither move the center of this population nor the agricultural center. So you can see if a number of railroads were to attempt to go off to one side of the state and build a commercial and manufacturing city to supply this territory, other roads might come to the natural center and knock the life out of the artificially located town."

You think then that each point of view, Wichita has natural advantages, do you?

"That is the point exactly. There is a great, magnificent country here comprising southern Kansas and a part of the Indian territory that seems to have been designed to make one great state. That is, each section seems to belong to the other, and Wichita is its natural center. You can not even imagine any other point that would have the same advantages. The railroads will, in time, all recognize this fact, and this city will just as surely become a great commercial and manufacturing center as that water will continue to run down hill. Did any railroad company ever exert itself to make Wichita a great city and put it ahead of other towns in southern Kansas?"

The reporter said he did not know that they did.

"Of course not. What, then, do you suppose is the cause of your wonderful advancement? It is your natural advantages that have done this. Of course your people have enterprise, but the people of other towns in the west have enterprise, too. I have been looking around some and I find that most of your men of public spirit and enterprise whom your people give so much credit for making Wichita come here poor men only ten or fifteen years ago. You see they struck the natural trade center of this valley, and they got rich. They might have gone to some better towns than Wichita as a result of their enterprise. The visitor of the city Hill Enchire club last Tuesday evening at their residence in the northern part of the city. The club regard this as one of their most enjoyable meetings and had the host and hostess to the skies for the hospitable manner in which they entertained. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Hill, Judge and Mrs. H. C. Sliss, Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Bentley, Mr. and Mrs. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Murray, Mr. and Mrs. C. Graham, Mr. and Mrs. Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. Keenan, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas, Mr. and Mrs. Vile, Mr. and Mrs. J. Marsh, Mrs. L. B. Vile and Mrs. Richards, and Misses Julia McKim, Gardner, Kate Graham, Richardson, Gertie Moore, and Mignon Vile, and Messrs. Bevis, Willis, Maurice McKim and Gordon."

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The revival meetings at the United Brethren church on Washington avenue, near Douglas, have grown into proportions of immense interest and large attendance. A very storm of religious interest, enthusiasm and power is sweeping over that part of the city. Conversations are of daily occurrence, and Friday night the altar was thronged with seekers after truth. The conversions are after the old fashion, each convert being conscientiously filled with the spirit and usually shouting for joy over the forgiveness of their sins. Other cups have run over, and there was shouting and praising God in His temple. On Friday evening and during the testimony meeting, a talented lady (Miss Mary E. Hargrave) was called to the aid of the church, exhorted the great congregation, with tears in her eyes and with wonderful eloquence, to "flee the wrath to come" and save their souls. She said that some time ago, when her house was thought to be on fire, it was only a few moments until hundreds were present, and immediately after this she had and their household goods insured. She remarked that this was a very nice thing for them to do, but of how much more importance it is, dear sinner, that you see to the salvation of your soul. Many hard hearts were melted, and faces that were hardened with sin were once bathed in tears. The meetings are conducted by the pastor, Rev. R. R. Moore, whose sermons are able, tender, chaste, full of Scripture, illustrated with truth, skill and beauty, and delivered with wonderful earnestness and energy. Mr. Rock loves souls, all men, rich and poor, and comes to them in sermon and prayer, and in every way to bring about their salvation. The congregation they must be saved at once or he has no right or reason to expect to meet them in heaven.

His sermons on Thursday and Friday evenings, on the total depravity of the human heart, showed a large knowledge of history, and were graphically illustrated by a most astonishing instance of depravity in the city.

The greatest drawback to the meeting's progress is the want of room to accommodate the multitude that come. A much larger church house is needed and we understand that it is the purpose of the congregation to erect a splendid edifice early in the spring.

There will be preaching by the pastor this morning and evening at 10:30 and 7 o'clock respectively.

ELSEWHERE IS PUBLISHED THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE BURTON CAR WORKS, which report embraces a history of the great enterprise. It will be seen that the car works have constructed all kinds of cars, and that thousands of cars have already been constructed for by eight different lines of railway which are named. Sixteen cars will be built each day. The capital stock of one million is to be doubled, and the entire report makes mighty interesting reading. Outside of the Pullman car works at Chicago, the Burton car works at Wichita will be the biggest thing in that line on the continent.

HOME AND COMING.
Col. B. H. Campbell will reach home from Boston tomorrow morning. Mr. W. E. Thomas will reach home from New York night before last. J. Oak Davidson and wife will reach home Wednesday morning, direct from New Zealand. Mr. W. Levy is still in New York.

Last Thursday afternoon Mrs. J. D.

Alexander gave a very delightful luncheon to a large number of his friends. The luncheon itself was a very elaborate affair and itself proved Mrs. Alexander a finished hostess. Mrs. Alexander's roomy home was tastefully decorated for the occasion, and the guests all report a very enjoyable time. Those attending were Mrs. James Hurley, of Topeka; Mrs. E. B. Buncher, of Peabody; Miss Lena Todd, of Burdett; Mrs. Harry Gillan, of Kingman; Mrs. Judge Leslie, of Kingman; Mrs. Carrie Bittler, of Eureka; and Messdames A. A. Post, W. A. Thomas, Dr. McAdams, N. F. Niederlander, T. I. Humble, Henry Stiles, G. M. McFerron, C. A. Van Ness, Parker, S. Smith, F. Rogers, Hiram Lewis, Wm. Bond, C. A. Bittler, Finlay Ross, Grant Hatfield, W. E. Stanley, Robert C. Deam, John Stiles, David Hays, David Dale, Wilber Stiles, W. Waller, Geo. C. Strong, Frank Smith, Chas. Davidson, L. B. Bunnell, Geo. M. Whitney, R. H. Roys, A. W. McCoy, P. V. Healy, C. H. Smythe, Fred Smythe, L. C. Jackson, and Mrs. Dr. Fabrique.

Mr. and Mrs. D. K. Kirk entertained the Piety Hill Enchire club last Tuesday evening at their residence in the northern part of the city. The club regard this as one of their most enjoyable meetings and had the host and hostess to the skies for the hospitable manner in which they entertained. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Hill, Judge and Mrs. H. C. Sliss, Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Bentley, Mr. and Mrs. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Murray,